



RED ALERT

JUNE 2021

SKEAN FAMILY

NEWSLETTER



Monthly Memorandum

The first half of June was interesting to be sure! I passed the last of my final exams to complete my junior year at Karazin University. Thank you to everyone who prayed! Also during this time, Katrina and I flew to Istanbul, Turkey to apply for her new visa to Ukraine. We took Jack along with us and were able to leave the girls with grandparents in Kharkov. It was quite an adventure as we prayed, navigated red tape, and saw God bless! While visiting the Blue Mosque, I was able to witness to a couple of Muslims. Surprisingly, there is no law against proselytization in Turkey. It is even more surprising that there are barely any missionaries in Istanbul, Europe's most populated city.

After receiving Katrina's visa we returned and began the process of submitting her paperwork to the immigration office in Kharkov. The immigration paperwork for the entire city of Kharkov is processed through one small office with two employees and only two receiving days. After making a few trips and receiving the Lord's favor, we're finally ready to submit her immigration application the beginning of July and proceed next with her residency permit.

The second half of the month was filled with its own adventures, like helping immigration officers who needed a translator during their interrogation of a suspect and getting our vehicle modded so that we can register it with Ukrainian plates. Since our foreign plates have been stolen three times, this will hopefully help our van to blend in and not attract anymore unwanted attention.

Pray with us this next month as we have the opportunity to be more involved in the ministry here and are prayerfully considering VBS in August. Please pray for the fledgling church as well. Two Sundays ago, a couple of visitors from a EX5 church showed up. One has been known to steal sheep and the other is suspected of working as a monitor for the government. The man said that recently their pastor and his entire family felt it was "God's will" for them to leave Ukraine and go live in America. That's funny - such is felt by Adventists, Pentecostals, and atheists too. Everyone wants to live in America - just don't use God as an excuse for moving there. It is the Lord Jesus Christ that is calling people to leave America so that they might live and serve Him in Ukraine and in Russia!

Please continue to pray for us as we rely upon the grace of Christ to see God's plan come to fruition. Thank you for your faithfulness each month to support and intercede.

Jonathan Skean & Family

Photo Album

The Islamic display of Jesus' family tree made a wonderful visual aide for giving a quick Chron Bible lesson to this gentleman.



Jack "helping" us assemble the new lawn mower that we bought to help keep the church property looking its best for Sunday.



As a family, we try to be faithful to share the Good News through conversations and through the use of Gospel tracts. Lots of seed sown!



Prayer Requests

- For Russia's religious freedoms.
- For a peaceful end to the hostilities in Ukraine
- For Katrina's immigration & residency applications to be accepted and processed quickly
- For nostrification of Jonathan's educational documents

Praises

- Jonathan has final exams
- Katrina received her 3-month visa
- God has kept us healthy and safe.

Quick Fact

Moscow was burned by the French less than 1 month after the capital of the US was burned by the British.



Upcoming Events

Mission Field Anniv.
July 7th

AMCT Conf.
Aug. 2-4

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